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Customer No.	026418	
Attorney's Docket No.:	GK-BUE-102 / 500647.20003	
U.S. Application No.:	09/856833	
International Application No.:	PCT/CH99/00515	
International Filing Date:	NOVEMBER 03, 1999	03 NOVEMBER 1999
Priority Date Claimed:	NOVEMBER 26, 1998	26 NOVEMBER 1998
Title of Invention:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROCESSING A THERMOPLASTIC CONDESATION POLYMER	
Applicant(s) for (DO/EO/US):	Franz GOEDICKE and Federico INNREBNER	

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

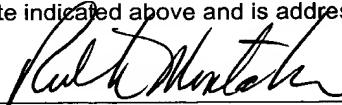
- [X] 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- [] 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- [] 3. This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371 (f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set forth in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 43.
- [] 4. A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- [X] 5. A copy of the **Publication No. WO 00/32377 published 8JUN00 International Application as filed** [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
 - a) __ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau)
 - b) __ has been transmitted by the International Bureau
 - c) __ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- [X] 6. A translation of the **Publication No. WO 00/32377 published 8JUN00 International Application** into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]
- [] 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
 - a) __ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau)
 - b) __ have been transmitted by the International Bureau
 - c) __ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired.
 - d) __ have not been made and will not be made
- [X] 8. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]
- [] 9. An **UNSIGNED** Oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)] **Executed Decl/POA TO FOLLOW**
- [] 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]

Items 11. to 16. Below concern other document(s) or information included:

- [] 11. • An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98
- [] 12. An Assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet (PTO-1619A) in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- [] 13. • __ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment
____ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment
- [] 14. A **substitute specification**
- [] 15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter
- [X] 16. (other items or information) **PCT/IB/308 dated 8JUN00, PCT/IPEA/416 and 409 dated 19FEB01**

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express mail under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: BOX PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.



/Ruth Montalvo Date: **May 25, 2001**

[X] 17. The following fees are submitted:

BASIC NATIONAL FEE [37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]

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[X] Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$ 860.00

[] International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO [37 CFR 1.482]..... \$ 690.00

[] No International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO [37 CFR 1.482] but International search fee paid to USPTO [37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)]..... \$ 710.00

[] Neither International preliminary examination fee [37 CFR 1.482] nor International search fee [37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO..... \$ 1,000.00

[] International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO [37 CFR 1.482] and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$ 100.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT:

\$860.00

Claims	Number Filed		Number Extra	Rate	
Total Claims 32(31) 3	32(31) -20 -03		12	x \$ 18. = x \$ 80. =	\$216.00
X] Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)				+ \$ 270. =	\$270.00

TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS:

\$1,346.00

Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 CFR 1.492(e)]

TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS:

Applicant claims Small Entity Status [See 37 CFR 1.27] Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity

SUBTOTAL: \$1,346.00

Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English Translation later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 CFR 1.492(f)]

TOTAL NATIONAL FEE: \$1,346.00

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 CFR 1.21(h)] The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (PTO-1595) [37 CFR 3.28, 3.31]. \$ 40.00 per property

TOTAL FEE(S): \$1,346.00

AMOUNTS TO BE
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[X] Check in the amount of **\$ 1,346.00** to cover the above fees is enclosed. (The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required with this submission or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No: 50-1529.)

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 36 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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